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TAGS: CDES (MATEESCU, JOHN) SUBJECT: DISPOSITION OF EFFECTS

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1. FOLLOWING DEPARTMENT'S INSTRUCTIONS, EMBASSY HAS GIVEN WILL AND LETTER TO COMPETENT ROMANIAN ENTITY HAVING JURISDICTION OVER PROBATE MATTERS AND NOTIFIED US LEGATEES OF NAME AND ADDRESS OF ENTITY AND PROVIDED THEM WITH LIST OF ATTORNEYS. EMBASSY WOULD APPRECIATE DEPARTMENT'S ASSISTANCE IN PROVIDING NAME AND ADDRESS OF COMPETENT SURROGATE COURT IN NEW YORK TO WHICH COPY OF WILL AND LETTER CAN BE MAILED IN CASE ANCILLARY PROBATE PROCEEDINGS MUST BE HELD THERE. MATEESCU'S LAST KNOWN ADDRESS IN THE US WAS C/O ARON TATARU, 31-15 35TH ST., ASTORIA, NY 11105.

2. DECEASED'S ROMANIAN FRIENDS, MR. AND MRS. MIHAIL MIHAILEANU, HAVE OBTAINED FROM COMPETENT ROMANIAN AUTHORITIES AS CERTIFICATE OF INHERITOR ENTITLING THEM TO TAKE POSSESSION OF THE HOUSEHOLD EFFECTS. ADDITIONALLY, THE AUTHORITIES HAVE QUERIED THE EMBASSY CONCERNING THE CASH FOUND IN MATEESCU'S APARTMENT, CLAIMING JURISDICTION. EMBASSY HAS REPLIED THAT WE WOULD LIKE TO BE INFORMED OF THE EXACT ROMANIAN LAW UNDER WHICH THE ROMANIAN AUTHORITIES HAVE JURISDICTION AND OF THE MEANS BY WHICH THE FUNDS CAN BE TURNED OVER TO THE PERSON OR PERSONS WHOM THE LOCAL AUTHORITIES DECLARE TO BE INHERITORS. UNCLASSIFIED

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3. AS IT APPEARS THAT LOCAL AUTHORITIES INDEED HAVE JURIS-DICTION OVER THE MATTER, EMBASSY IS PLANNING TO FOLLOW THE COMPETENT ENTITY'S INSTRUCTIONS ON THE MATTER. AGGREY UNCLASSIFIED

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